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Title: COMPRESSION OF NODES IN A TRIE STRUCTURE

## CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.10:

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUATION OF AN INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)

This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) of prior pending international application number PCT/FI99/00717 filed on 2 September 1999 entitled COMPRESSION OF NODES IN A TRIE STRUCTURE, which designated the United States.

1.  Enclosed is a patent application containing 14 pages of specification, 6 pages of claims and 3 sheet(s) of drawings.
2.  A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
3.  Please amend the specification by inserting the following paragraph after the title:

This application is a continuation of international application serial number PCT/FI99/00717, filed 2 September 1999.

4.  Small entity status
  - a.  A small entity statement is enclosed.
  - b.  A small entity statement was filed in the prior non provisional application.
  - c.  is no longer claimed.

The filing fee is calculated below

| CLAIMS                           |              |              |                  |                  |
|----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                  | Number Filed | Number Extra | Rate             | Fee              |
| <b>Total Claims</b>              | 26           | 6            | X \$18.00        | \$ 108           |
| <b>Indep. Claims</b>             | 4            | 1            | X \$80.00        | \$ 80            |
| <b>Multiply Dependent Claims</b> |              |              |                  | \$               |
|                                  |              |              | <b>Basic Fee</b> | <b>\$ 710.00</b> |
|                                  |              |              | <b>TOTAL</b>     | <b>\$ 898.00</b> |

5.  Payment of filing fees
  - A check in the amount of \$898.00 is enclosed.
  - Please charge Deposit Account Number 50-1038.
  - Is deferred.
6.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16-1.18 to Deposit Account Number 50-1038.
7.  The priority of Finnish application number 982095, filed 29 September 1998, is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
  - A certified copy of the priority application is enclosed.
8.  An UNSIGNED Declaration is enclosed.
9.  An assignment of the invention to , Recordation Form Cover Sheet (Patents Only) and a check in the amount of \$40.
10.  An Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO 1449 and copies of 5 citations are enclosed.
11.  Correspondence Address

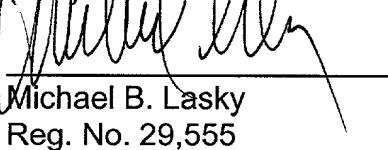
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12.  Address all correspondence to Michael B. Lasky.
13.  Also enclosed: abstract
14.  A return postcard is enclosed.

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